
From: Riddlesprigger, Jazanna Marie <jazannamarie.riddlesprigger@dillard.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 8:53 PM
To: House & Governmental Affairs
Subject: New fair maps

EXTERNAL EMAIL: Please do not click on links or attachments unless you know the content is safe.

Hello everyone, my name is Jazanna-Marie Riddlesprigger. I am currently a 21-year-old college student majoring in political science, attending Dillard University, an HBCU located in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Although I am not a native of New Orleans, Louisiana, I chose and continue to choose to receive my higher education here in Louisiana. The reason I am here today is to urge you to draw fair and equitable district lines across our state, as these decisions will impact my friends, loved ones, and possibly me if I choose to reside here even after I have graduated. The decisions made now by you specifically retaining to redistricting will impact the residents here for decades to come. Our voices must be heard about the redistricting soon to happen. More importantly, it is crucial that black voices on such matters are listened to just as much as others and are not diluted or ignored. The bill that is passed can either show a reflection of the past. Or help forge a new future to more equitable and equal Louisiana. We are not asking for too much. We are asking for the necessary. If we make up 33% of the population, the state senate should reflect so.

The question I am posing to you is will you draw a map that presents functional, fair, and equitable districts that represent the demographic and population changes across Louisiana?